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Applicant: Polynkin, et al.

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Title: OPTICAL SPECTRAL POWER MONITORS EMPLOYING TIME-DIVISION-MULTIPLEXING DETECTION SCHEMES

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir/Madam:

Applicants respond to the outstanding Office action mailed on March 5, 2003 as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 30, 33, 34, 37 and 38, and amend claims 1, 8, 18, 29, 31, 32 and 35 as follows (marked up versions of these claims are attached hereto as Appendix A):

Claim 1 (amended, clean version)

An optical apparatus, comprising:

- a) an input port, providing a multi-wavelength optical signal;

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